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Attorney Docket No.	P214498
First Inventor	Paul Akers
Title	Cover Piece and Method...
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
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 - Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 5]
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(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

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11. English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations
13. Preliminary Amendment
14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
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Prior application information:

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Art Unit: 3727

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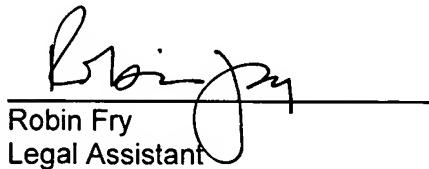
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